

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.38**

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TO:	The Honorable Harvey S. Peeler, Chairman, Senate Medical Affairs Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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SUBJECT:	Smoking Ban Extended to Bars, Restaurants, Recreational Facilities		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 38 amends Chapter 95 (Clean Indoor Air Act), Title 44 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by extending the ban on smoking in public indoor places to restaurants, bars & lounge areas. The Bill adds language to clarify the public areas (including rooms within school buildings) in which smoking is permitted. The Bill also increases the penalty for violations of the Chapter from a maximum of twenty-five dollars to a minimum of fifty dollars.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Department of Health & Environmental Control and the State Department of Education report that this Bill would have no impact on the State General Fund or on Federal and/or Other funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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